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SOFTWARE COURSES IN
EUROPEAN STUDIES FOR INTEGRATED STUDENTS

SYLLABUS
CFES 201: Introduction to European Union (3 Credit Course)

Course Rationale

European Union is as association of sovereign states intends to work for common good and as such an interesting experiment in political system. It is highly institutionalized and taken as an example of post-modern state. The Union stands for certain ideals in international politics. It is a successful union and has lot of lessons to learn for those who aspire for regional integration, cooperation and co-development.

Course Content

UNIT I : Political and economic condition of Europe in post-war period – European economic recovery programme – NATO and European Security
UNIT II : European Integration and the founding of European Communities
UNIT III : Widening of EU - Little Six to EU-27 -
UNIT IV : Institutionalisation of the European Union
UNIT V : Ideals of European Union in international politics - post-modern state.

Reading List:


CFES 202: Europe and Human Rights (3 Credit Course)

Course Rationale:

Europe is generally considered as cradle of human rights. On the other hand, the Europeans are known as great violators of human rights of their own people and of the regions which were colonized by them. However, in the post-war period, a genuine effort was made by them to establish a human rights regime with a highly institutionalized and successful enforcement mechanism, which calls for admiration and sincere emulation from people of other regions of the world.

Course Content:

UNIT I Historical, Religious and Philosophical Foundations of Human Rights
  a) Magna Carta
  b) Bill of Rights and Petition of Rights
  c) Declaration of the Rights of Man and the Citizen
  d) Declaration of the Rights of Women -

UNIT II Age of Enlightenment - Declaration of the Rights of Man and the Citizen of 1789 – Declaration of the Rights of Woman - French Revolution in Human Rights Perspective-

UNIT III Council of Europe and the European Convention on Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms - Protocols to the Convention –

UNIT IV Human Rights factor in the European Foreign Policy

UNIT V European Human Rights Charter

Reading List:


